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For: APPARATUS FOR VARYING THE PATH
LENGTH OF A BEAM OF RADIATION

Examiner: Patrick J. Connolly

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicant(s) hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in an Japanese Search Report issued June 2, 2009, during the prosecution of Japanese Application No. 2004-537294, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the English translation of the Japanese Search Report and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well. Pertinent information regarding several of the cited references is listed below:

1. Copy of English language translation of the Office Action issued by the Japanese Patent Office in co-pending Japanese application number JP-2004-537294, mailed June 2, 2009.
2. JP 2009-15049 - this publication number was mis-typed on a previous Information Disclosure Statement, however, the correct reference was submitted (Japanese language, with English language translation of the abstract). We are re-citing the corrected referenced number, and enclosed herewith, Applicant submits an English language translation of certain relevant paragraphs from this reference.
3. DE-20204549 was cited in a separate Information Disclosure Statement, previously submitted.
4. US-6,144,456 - this is a newly cited reference.
5. J. Szydlo, et al., "Air-turbine driven optical low-coherence reflectometry at 28.6-kHz scan repetition rate", Optics Communications, Aug 15, 1998, Vol. 154, pp. 1-4. This reference has been cited on a separate Information Disclosure Statement, previously submitted.
6. JP4295731 (A) was also published as EP041435, and was cited in a separate Information Disclosure Statement, previously submitted, with an English language translation.
7. JP-2001-153605 (A) was also published as EP1092943, and has been cited in a separate Information Disclosure Statement, previously submitted.
8. JP4190124 (A) - this is a newly cited reference.
9. JP5173075 (A) was also published as US-5,220,463, which we are also listing among the citations in the attached SB/08.
10. US-4,329,055 - this is a newly cited reference.
11. D.M. Riffe, et al., "A compact rotating-mirror autocorrelator design for femtosecond and picosecond laser pulses", Review of Scientific Instruments, Sep 1998, Vol. 69, No. 9, pp. 3099-3102. This reference has been cited on a separate Information Disclosure Statement, previously submitted.

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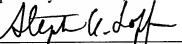
document is prior art. Moreover, Applicant(s) understand(s) the Examiner will make an independent evaluation of the cited documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114(c), accompanies the Request for Continued Examination (37 CFR 1.114) submitted herewith.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1073, under Order No. M0025.0323/P323.

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